

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 568
By McMillan

A RESOLUTION to commend Melisa T. Hayes for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Melisa T. Hayes is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for Representative Kim McMillan, House Majority Leader; Melisa's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earnest F. Hayes of Memphis, Ms. Hayes is a graduate of Trezevant High School and a member of Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, a Senior at the University of Tennessee at Martin, where she is highly regarded by her peers, Melisa has achieved academic success while majoring in Criminal Justice and participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including Gamma Beta Phi, Freshman Council, University Alumni Council, National Association for Black Journalists, Black Student Association, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., the National Pan-Hellenic Council and Travel Study Program to Africa in 2004; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Ms. Hayes is a Harold Connor Scholar, is on the National Dean's List, has been named the Most Outstanding Student in the Criminal Justice Department, has the Highest G.P.A. among pre-law students in the T.I.P. Program and is a University Board of Trustees Scholarship recipient; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further her studies, Melisa Hayes brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2005 session of the One Hundred Fourth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2005 legislative session, Melisa has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Hayes has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Melisa T. Hayes for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Representative Kim McMillan, House Majority Leader, and extend to her our best wishes for every future success, including her career ambition to practice law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.